

# U.S. 95 CORRIDOR STUDY NEWSLETTER PAYETTE COUNTY

The Idaho Transportation Department has hosted 12 public workshops in counties along U.S. 95 to gather comments about corridor needs and future improvements.

Look inside to read what we learned in Payette County.



## WHAT'S INSIDE

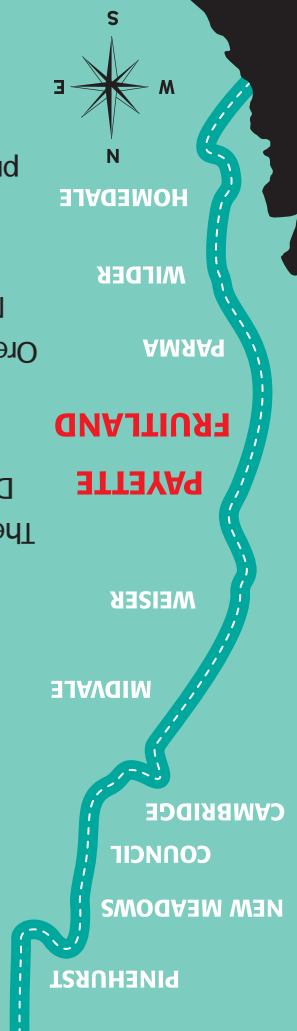
- Public workshop update.
- Improvements you identified for U.S. 95 in Payette County.
- Next steps for the corridor study.

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The Idaho Transportation Department is studying 203 miles of U.S. 95 from Pinehurst to the Oregon state line south of Marsing. The study will result in a long-range plan that will help ITD prioritize improvements to the roadway.





# THANK YOU!

Over 115 people attended workshops in September 2008 in Payette and Fruitland. The workshops focused on improvements to U.S. 95 in Payette County. To review a more detail summary, visit [itd.idaho.gov](http://itd.idaho.gov) and select *Projects, Southwest Idaho* and *U.S. 95 Corridor Study*.

## ABOUT THE U.S. 95 CORRIDOR STUDY

U.S. 95 is an important north-south link between Mexico and Canada. In Idaho, recreational and local traffic share the corridor with long-haul freight, straining the roadway as demand grows.

The U.S. 95 corridor study involves:

- Developing a long-range plan that will help set policies and projects over the next 20 years.
- Identifying current and future needs. ITD will consider safety, access, traffic and environmental issues.
- Gathering information from engineering studies, community input, and city, county and highway district goals.
- Setting priorities for improvements.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

about the U.S. 95 Corridor Study, visit [itd.idaho.gov](http://itd.idaho.gov) and select *Projects, Southwest Idaho* and *U.S. 95 Corridor Study*, or contact:

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Se les recomienda a las personas que necesitan un intérprete o arreglos especiales que llamen al coordinador de participación público al (208) 334-4444 ó TDD/TDY (208) 334-4458.

## WHAT WE HEARD

Participants at the Payette County workshops asked ITD to improve:

### SAFETY

- Lower highway speed in Fruitland and Payette.
- Post consistent speed limits.
- Build sidewalks or crosswalks.

### TRAFFIC FLOW

- Add traffic signals in Payette.
- Improve existing signals.

### ACCESS ON AND OFF U.S. 95

- Add turn lanes near major intersections.
- Improve access to driveways in Fruitland and Payette.

### PAYETTE RIVER BRIDGE

- Replace the bridge.
- Preserve historical character.

### SPECIFIC LOCATIONS

Several participants identified specific intersections or mileposts for improvement. A detailed summary of comments is available on the project Web site.



## NEXT STEPS

You will be notified when the draft corridor plan is available for review.

### Spring 2009 Summer/Fall

Finish conducting public workshops in other counties along U.S. 95.

Distribute the draft corridor plan.

### Fall/Winter 2009/2010 Winter

Work with local jurisdictions to conduct public hearings.

Publish the final corridor plan.